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Kanaan Sprinkle Farm 1801 Ridge Road (Rte. 27)

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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Summary: The Kanaan Sprinkle farm is located on the east side of Ridge Road, just south of Warfieldsburg, and about 34 miles southwest of Westminster in central Carroll County. The farm complex consists of a log house currently being dismantled and a barn and outhouse. The farm is located at the end of a long, private drive, beyond a second farm that is now all part of the same property. The house is a two-story, three-bay by two-bay structure of V-notched log with a gable roof that has standing-seam metal and a ridge running east-west. The foundation is rubble stone. The logs are hewn on both sides, and have diagonally-laid stone chinking in mortar. Window and door openings have thick planks placed on either side, and holes augured through the planks into the ends of the logs. Pegs are driven into each of these holes. The house originally had tongue-and-groove flush board siding. Most of these boards were replaced with German siding. The east elevation has an exterior fireplace and chimney of partly dressed fieldstone. There is a cellar underneath the entire house. The first story was originally two rooms divided by a log wall placed east of center, and was later altered to have a central enclosed stairway. The second story has a log wall, with stone chinking, that is set west of center, not above the log center wall on the first story. The room arrangement has been greatly altered. Southwest of the house is a bank barn that is four bays by five bays, and faces southeast. The upper story has a center threshing floor with a hay mow on either side and a granary in the north corner. It has narrow board floors and a circular-sawn heavy-timber braced frame with pegged mortise-and-tenon joints. There are four bents, with four major posts creating a queen post truss for the roof. East of the barn is a hog pen with a wagon shed and corn crib added to the northeast side. There is a gable roof of standing-seam metal with a ridge running southeast-northwest. South of the house is a privy built of 2x4 construction with beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards on the north elevation and plain vertical board siding on the other elevations.

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The east elevation has a cellar entrance that now has a wood hurricane door in the south bay. There are several concrete steps, with several stone steps and stone cheek walls below the concrete. The door is of vertical boards, hung on interior strap hinges, and has a wood box lock. The first story south bay has a 4/4 sash, and the second story south bay has a window opening with the sash missing. The north bay has an exterior fireplace and chimney of partly dressed fieldstone, with brick above the second story. The west elevation has a 6/2 sash to the north and a 2/2 to the south on the first story. The second story has a 2/2 to the north and a 6/6 to the south. The gable end has two single-light sash and an interior brick chimney centered on the ridge. There was originally a large exterior fireplace and chimney centered on this elevation.

The north elevation has a beaded-edge vertical board door in the center bay, with a 2/2 sash to the east and a 2/1 sash to the west. The second story has a 2/? sash to the east, ?/? in the center, and 2/? in the west bay. There is a one-story, one-bay porch in the center bay. It has a concrete foundation, three brick piers, supporting boxed wood posts, and a hip roof with corrugated metal. There is a wood box cornice on the north and south elevations, with tapered rake boards at either end.

There is a cellar underneath the entire house, and it has a high clearance. It has a dirt floor and plastered and white-washed walls. The stone walls on the north and south are topped by a thin plank. The joists are hewn on the top and bottom, are about 9½ inches wide by 6½ inches deep, and run north-south. They are reduced in depth_on both ends, where they rest on the plank, and in the center, where they rest on a summer beam that runs east-west. The summer beam is about 11 inches wide by 6 inches deep,

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is set into stone on the east, and apparently was set into a joist on the west end, although this is now deteriorated. Both ends of the foundation have stone corbelling that supports the fireplace hearth above. The summer beam is supported by a center post that rests on a stove and a second post was later added to the west. There is a vertical board-and-batten wall, running north-south, at the center post. It has a wood ground sill, a horizontal board along the top of the wall, and a beaded-edge vertical board door on strap hinges south of center. This door used to have a boxlock, but the lock has been replaced several times. There was originally a window opening in each end bay of the north elevation and the west bay of the south elevation.

The first story was originally two rooms divided by a log wall placed east of center, and was later altered to have a central enclosed stairway. The center wall also has stone chinking in mortar. Originally, there was a short door in the center of the wall and a tall door at the south end. The center door was later closed off and a door added at the north end. The east room has an ashlar stone fireplace with a semi-circular stone arch. There is dressed stone above the arch, and a wood nailer above it, suggesting that originally there was a high mantle shelf with a frieze below, and exposed stone that was white-washed below it. This fireplace was bricked in and plastered over later. There were once stairs in the southeast corner of the east room, and the southwest corner of this room. There is a hatch in the southwest corner of the room that is about 21½ by 23 inches, and is an access to the cellar. It appears original and probably had steep stairs down to the east. This room formerly had a chair rail, but it is gone. The baseboards here and throughout the house have a beaded top edge, and the floors are random width and appear to be pit sawn. There are traces of red paint on the log walls around the original openings, suggesting that the trim was painted, or at least primed, before the split lath, which was nailed vertically to the logs with cut nails, was applied and plastered. The same surround seems to have been used throughout the house. It has a broken field with a beaded interior edge, and an ogee moulding applied to the exterior edge. Traces of red paint in the southwest corner of the east room suggest that the stairway was boxed in here, or that there was a closet here, originally. Many of the windows in the house appear to have been enlarged. The original doors seem to have all been of beaded-edge vertical boards. They are painted with a red iron oxide first coat, then medium grey, black, and white.

The west room has been sheet rocked, and the chair rail is missing. The large kitchen fireplace was removed and replaced with a brick chimney that was boxed out and given a wood mantle with a depressed gothic arch. There is a later floor that runs north-south in this room, and the boards are 5¼ inches wide. The second-story joists are hewn and are $3\frac{1}{2}$ by $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches. They are set into notches in the north and south logs. On the

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east and west ends a piece of beaded-edge baseboard has been nailed to the wall to act as a clamp and support the ends of the second story floor boards, which run east-west.

The second story has a log wall, with stone chinking, that is set west of center, not above the log center wall on the first story. The room arrangement has been greatly altered, but may have had two adjacent doors in the center of the log wall, into two rooms on the west end. There is a wide opening between two end posts in the log wall, and a notch in the top log, exactly in the center of this opening, that may represent the location of a dividing post. There was possibly a third room in the northeast, with a stair hall on the southeast. The second story was virtually gutted before it could be examined. The same baseboard and chair rail was used in all the second story rooms. The chair rail was made of three separate pieces, a fascia with a bead at the bottom edge, a top rail with a bead along the outer edge, and an ogee moulding applied to the fascia under the rail. The chair rail and baseboard were nailed with cut nails over top of some of the ends of lath before the plaster was applied.

The attic joists are $3\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{3}{4}$ inches by 7 inches. The west end attic joist has holes drilled in the exterior face. The joist ends project beyond the face of the wall and are topped by a plate. The bottom of the joists have a notch that fits over the top log in the wall, acting as a tie beam so these top logs won't kick out. The top of the joist also has a notch for the plate, so that it will not kick out. The rafters are roughly hewn on all four sides, are about 4 inches square, and tapered toward the ridge, where they are half-lapped and pegged. The rafter feet were cut off flat and nailed to the plate with large wrought iron spikes. Under the metal roof is a wood shingle roof; the shingles are $4\frac{1}{2}$ by 20 inches, and are circular sawn.

Southwest of the house is a bank barn that is four bays by five bays, and faces southeast. The lower story is predominantly small and medium stones in mortar. The southeast elevation is frame, with horizontal beaded-edge-and-center board siding. The upper story has vertical beaded-edge-and-center board siding and the gable roof has inverted-V-seam metal. The lower story of the southeast elevation has, from south to east, a dutch door on strap hinges, a six-light sash above a boarded-up opening, two dutch doors on strap hinges, a boarded-up opening, another dutch door on strap hinges, a ladder to the forebay fastened to the wall, a six-light sash over an empty opening, and a dutch door on strap hinges. There is a post under each corner of the forebay. The upper story has two tripartite wood louvered vents on each end, and in the center a short door on rollers above a tall door on rollers. The southwest elevation has a 6/? in the south bay and a 6/4 in the west bay of the lower story. The upper story has four boarded-up vents, and a small boarded vent in the gable end. The northeast elevation has two 6/6 sash, and a door on strap hinges to the east, in the lower story. The door was probably

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originally a dutch door. The wall is poured concrete. The upper story has four vents, and a pedimented 6/6 sash, flanked by a vent on each side, in the gable end.

The northwest elevation has double wagon doors on strap hinges in the center bay, with two vents with 4/4 sash in the bottom in the north bay and two vents in the west bay. The lower story has two circular-sawn summer beams, with four posts under each. The joists are circular-sawn on two, three, or all four sides. The stable plan appears to have been altered. It now has three pens, with an aisle across the northeast and northwest sides. The upper story has a center threshing floor with a hay mow on either side and a granary in the north corner. It has narrow board floors and a circular-sawn heavy-timber braced frame with pegged mortise-and-tenon joints. There are four bents, with four major posts creating a queen post truss for the roof. There is a major post and minor post in the center that are part of the ladder. The rafters are approximately 2x6, are circular-sawn, and are mitered at the ridge, but have no ridge beam. They support wood lath.

East of the barn is a hog pen with a wagon shed and corn crib added to the northeast side. The southwest elevation has vertical board siding and two concrete pens attached to it. There is a gable roof of standing-seam metal with a ridge running southeast-northwest. The northwest elevation has beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards. There is a door and a large plywood wagon door on rollers to the north, in the wagon shed addition, and to the west a door with a small door in the gable end. The wagon shed has a shed roof that slopes down to the northeast. The corn crib is on the northeast side, and the northeast elevation has horizontal slats. The southeast elevation has vertical board siding, with slats on the crib. The wagon shed is constructed of re-used hewn pieces and some circular-sawn heavy timber.

South of the house is a privy built of 2x4 construction with beaded-edge-and-center vertical boards on the north elevation and plain vertical board siding on the other elevations. There is a door on the north elevation, and a gable roof with a ridge running north-south.

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Geographic Organization: Piedmont

8. Significance

Chronological/Development Period: Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870;

Industrial-Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930 Historic Period Themes: Agriculture, Architecture

Level of Significance: national

Resource Types: Small family farmstead, Rural vernacular

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still owns it, and who later purchased the other 90-acre farm, as well. The barn was built by the Rickell's, probably in the 1920's, to replace an earlier structure that burned. There is a separate house and barn on the 90-acre farm.

In 1885 an improvement worth \$200 was made to the farm. This was possibly the wing added to the house. The wing was removed some years ago. The house was being dismantled during recordation, but the barn survives. The stone work on the surviving fireplace and chimney of the house is especially well done, and unusual for Carroll County.

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ADDENDA

Kanan Sprenkle (Kanaan Sprinkle) was a partner in the firm of D & K Sprenkle, dealers in drugs, in Hanover. They advertised in May, 1844 that they had a new drug store carrying drugs, chemicals, paints, dye stuffs, groceries and liquors. Their advertisement included an engraving of the interior of a drug store with a table containing medicines set between two windows, and two men standing in front of the table. One of the men is obviously a customer. The store accoutrements are few, but include scales and a pestle. The firm did not last long, as in late August, 1844 David and Kanan Sprenkle announced the dissolution of their partnership. David also advertised that he would continue the business at the old stand, opposite the bank on Carlisle Street. By June, 1845, and possibly earlier, Kanan was advertising his own business in drugs, medicines, paints, dye stuffs and groceries, located at Hinkle's old stand in Hanover. David, meanwhile, was still in business on Carlisle Street.

There must have been too much competition in Hanover, as there was at least one other drug store there besides the Sprenkle's, and this probably convinced Kanan to move to Westminster. By April, 1846, he was advertising that he "... has neatly fitted up and opened an extensive Drug Establishment, on the corner of Main and Court Streets, Westminster, in the late Store Room of Joshua Yingling. ... " There he was selling drugs, medicines, spices, paints, dye stuffs, groceries, liquors and perfumes, which he itemized in an extensive list. The paints he carried included:

. . . Prussian Blue, China Vermillion, Chrome Yellow, Chrome Green, Rose Pink, Spirits of Turpentine, Lini Oleum, Red Lead, Litharge, Orange Mineral, Spanish Brown, Yellow Ochre, Venetian Red, Lamp Black, Whiting, Verdigris, Verdigris Distilled, Drop Lake, Stone Ochre, Terra de Sienna, Patent Green, Umber, White Lead, Do. Ground in Oil.

He also offered painters supplies, including copal varnish, coach varnish, gum copal, Japan varnish, boot varnish, gum shellac, gold leaf, paint brushes, smaltz and "Cocculus Indicus."

A year after he opened in Westminster the deed for the Warfieldsburg farm was executed. The sale, of course, may have taken place sooner, but in any case the purchase of the farm is closely connected to his move to Westminster and the establishment of his business there. Sprenkle kept the farm until April, 1859, when he advertised it for sale. At that time the farm contained 171 (the ad erroneously claims 191) acres. About 60 acres were timber, another 30 were meadow, and the remainder consisted of two young orchards and fields that were fenced with chestnut rails and limed with 120 bushels to the acre.

. . . the buildings consist of a Two Story Weatherboarded House, with Back Building, also two-story, with double porches newly put up, and a large Bank Barn, 77 by 40 feet, with splendid stabling under it, to stable six head of horses and twenty head of cattle; also, a two-story Stone Dairy, with a never failing Spring; Corn House which will hold three hundred barrels of corn, and all other outbuildings; also a very large Tobacco House, newly put up, and a Lime Kiln, that holds from twelve to fourteen hundred bushels of lime. The subscriber wishes to decline farming.

Only the house had survived, and without its back building, when it was recently dismantled.

Once the farm had been sold Sprenkle sold the excess stock and farm implements he no longer needed. This was in August, 1859, and included two brood mares, three milch cows, eight shoats, two sows with pigs, a wagon, a number of ploughs and cultivators, and a new Rockaway buggy. Presumably, he was moving to Westminster either to devote all his time to his business or to retire completely.

Source:

Hanover Planet and Weekly News, 24 May 1844, p. 3; 14 September 1844, p. 3. Hanover Spectator, 4 June 1845, p. 4. Westminster Carroll County Democrat, 30 April 1846, p. 4. Westminster American Sentinel, 8 April 1859, p. 3; 26 August 1859, p. 3.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Carroll County Land Records 1862 & 1877 maps Tax assessments, 1841, 1852, 1866, 1866-76, 1876, 1876-96, 1896-1910

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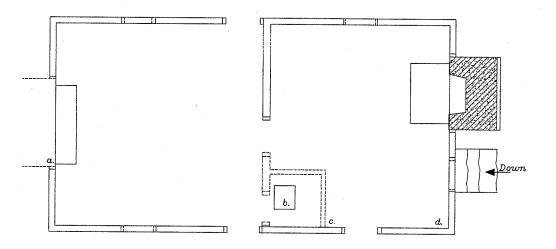
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- a. Chimney now demolished footing not located
 b. Access hatch to cellar
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Note:

First floor plan of log structure — plaster,lath,trim, and siding removed. Missing elements dotted in as indicated by stucutural analysis

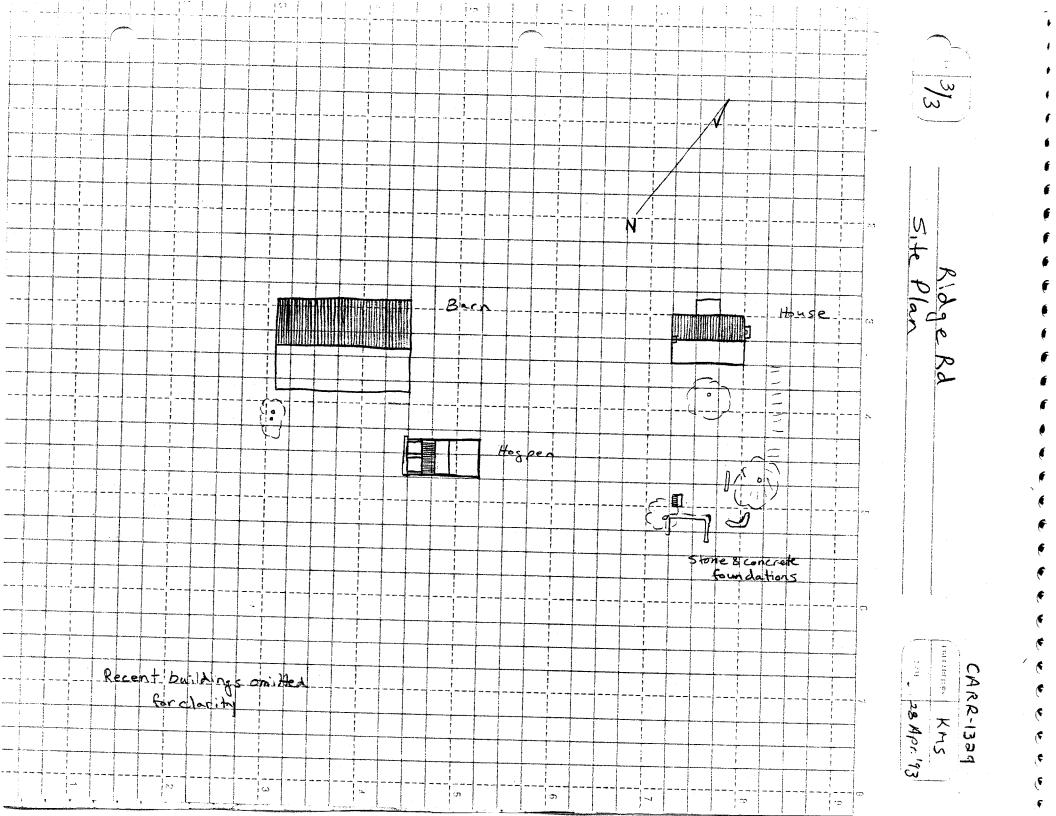
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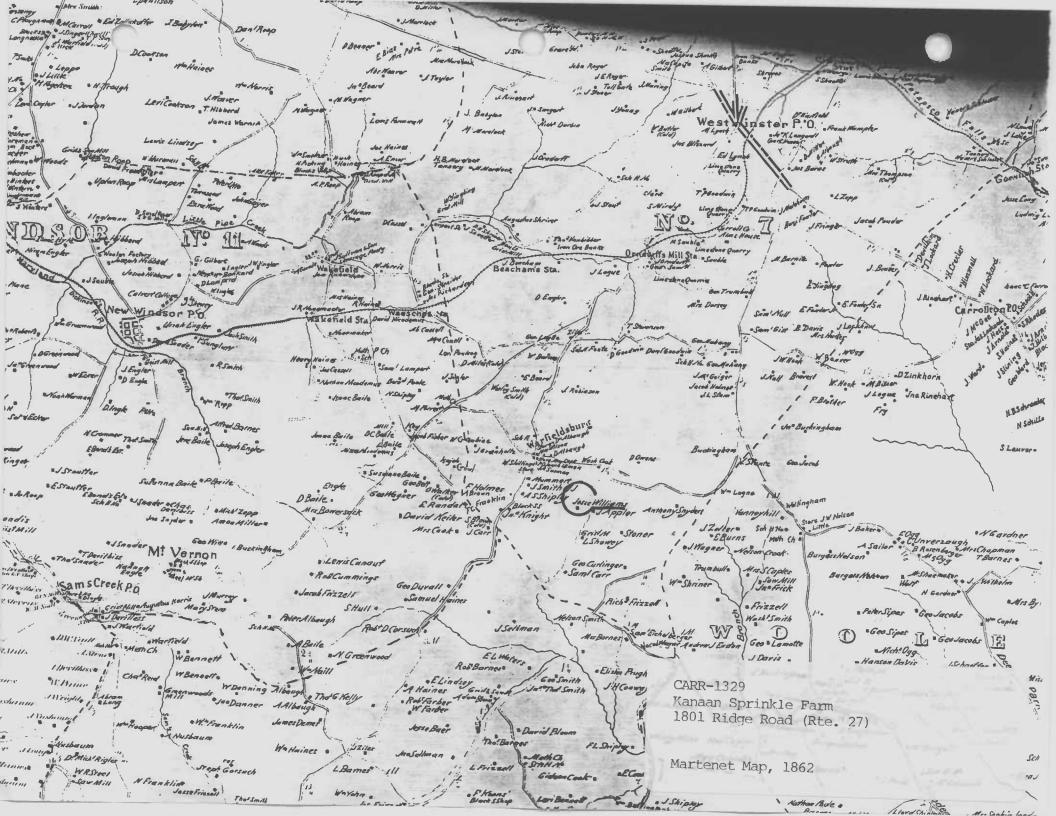
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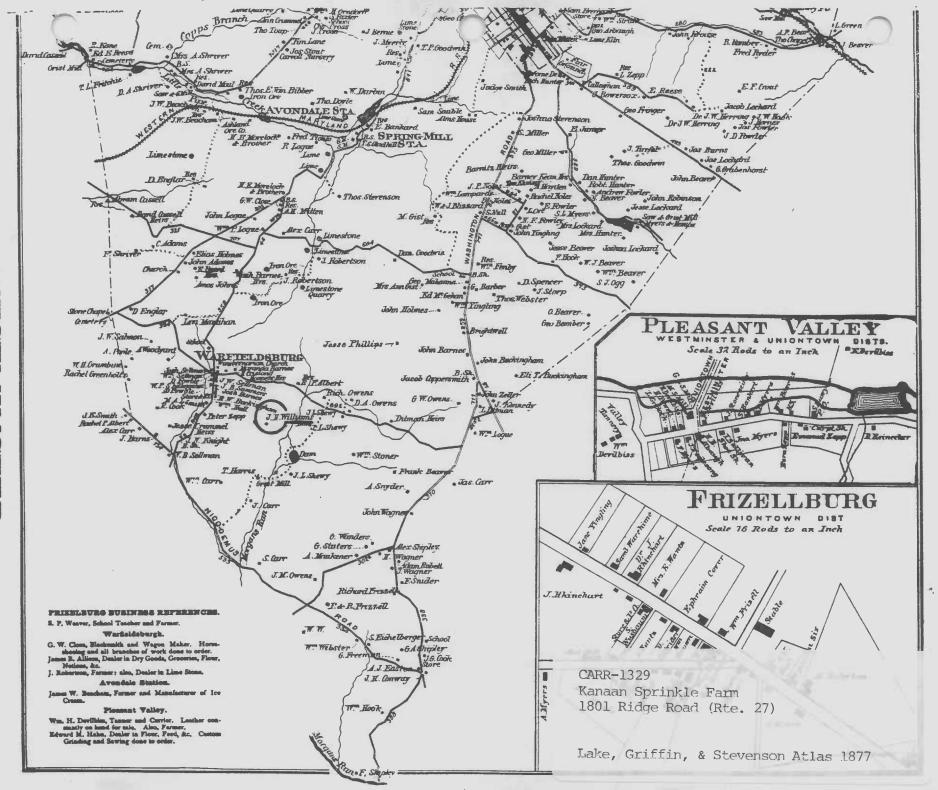
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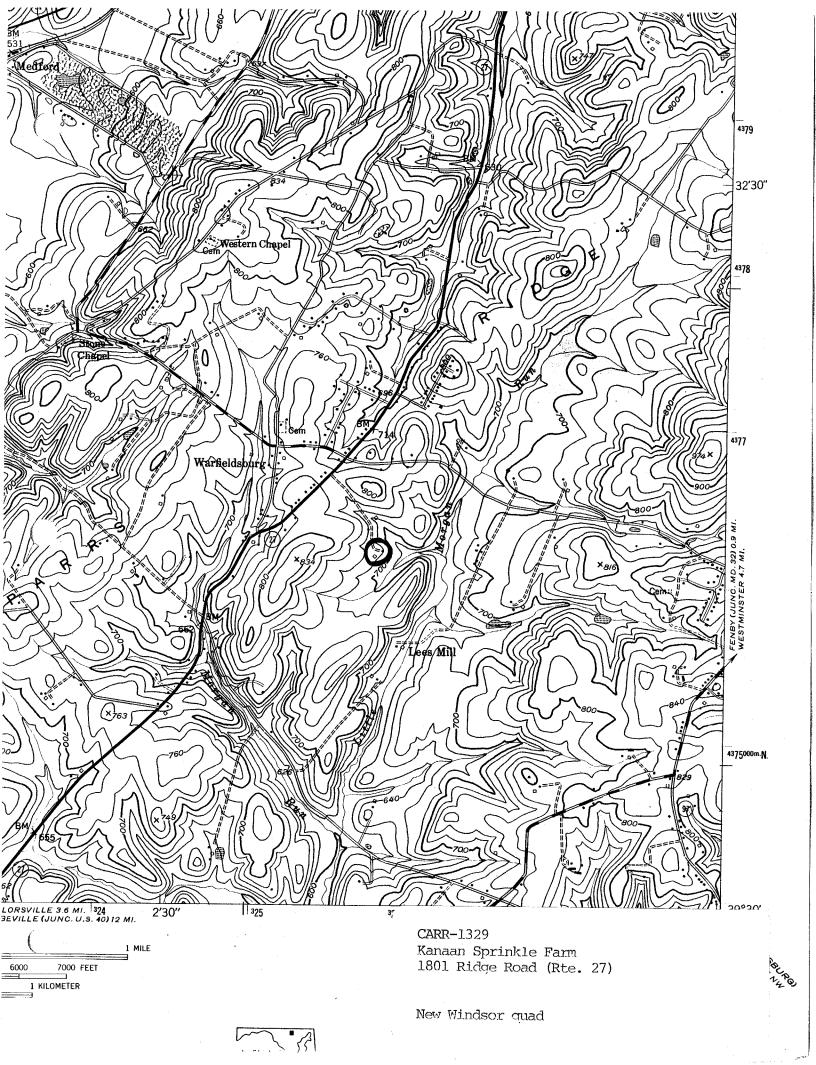
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James E. & Irene Brown Boylan, Jr. (wife)	Westminster	Mary A. Rickell, wife of Charles C. Rickell	Carroll	1-15-1931	EMM 155	80	Deed fee simple	\$10 (2)
Jesse N. & Mary J. Williams (wife)	Carroll	Charles C. & Mary A. Rickell (wife)	Carroll	4-1-1903	JHB 97	256	Deed fee simple	\$3125, Fells Dale - 81 a., part of below minus 90 a., Long Meadows - 5 a. (1)
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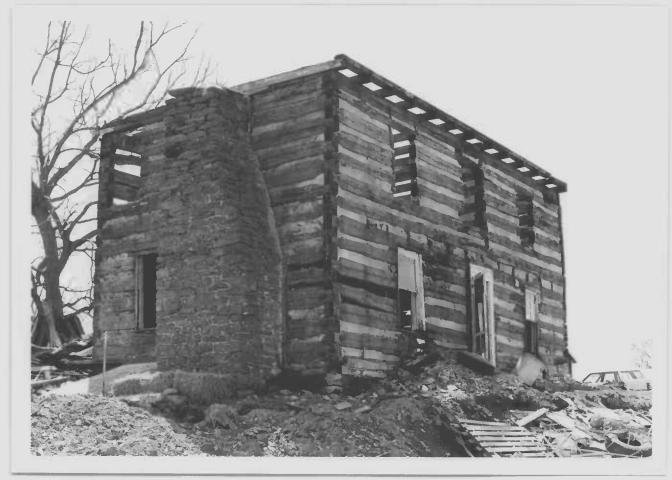








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